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on Soviet Guided Missile Requirements

Enclosed are fifteen (15) copies of the Requirements Working Group's contribution to NIE 11-5-58 covering air-to-air missiles and surface-to-air missiles. It is anticipated that two general introductory paragraphs on air defense weapons and the portion of the surface-to-air section dealing with ship-borne missile systems will be

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I. AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES

1. In order to increase the kill capability of fighter aircraft during the period of this estimate, the USSR will require improved aircraft armament, in the form of air-to-air guided missiles, for defense against Western manned bomber and cruise-type missile attack. Target systems will include high subsonic and supersonic aircraft and cruise-type

missiles s speeds of aircraft and rates of closure increase, the USSR will require longer range and improved guided missiles. Air-to-air missile systems need to be

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